



PATENT
51270-245599

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yasuo YOSHIOKA, et al.

Serial No.: 09/277,582

Filed: March 26, 1999

For: ***VOICE CONVERTER WITH EXTRACTION AND
MODIFICATION OF ATTRIBUTE DATA***

Group No.: 2741

Examiner: A. A. Armstrong

AMENDMENT AND ELECTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2001, a response to which has been extended by the attached Petition for Revival of Unintentionally Abandoned Application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 13-39, 41-49 and 51-59.

REMARKS:

In response to the restriction/election requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 set forth in the November 30, 2001 Office Action, Applicants elect for continued prosecution the Group I,

Species A claims (claims 1-12, 40 and 50), without traverse. By virtue of this amendment, claims 1-12, 40 and 50 are the only claims pending. Applicants reserve the right to later file a divisional application directed to the non-elected, canceled claims.

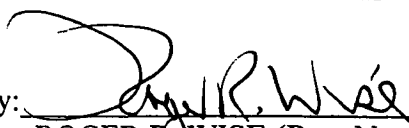
An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

PILLSBURY WINTHROP LLP

Date: June 18, 2002

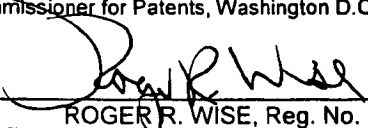
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